

## **Electricity Oversight Board**

Daily Report for Sunday, February 1, 2004

The average zonal price increased by 42 percent to \$38.79/MWh. The daily average price was higher despite most indicating factors that pointed to lower prices, such as:

- Lower actual demand. The average actual demand dropped by about 670 MW.
- Absence of intra-zonal and inter-zonal congestion.
- Warmer temperatures in Southern California that increased between 2 and 5 degrees and ranged in the mid-60s.
- Healthy generation outages that dropped by roughly 1,000 MW from Saturday and ranged between 9,200 MW and 9,300 MW.
- Lower natural gas prices. The average natural gas price dropped by 2 percent to \$5.44/MMBtu down from \$5.57/MMBtu.
- Ancillary Services reserves that remained above the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) requirements for the entire day.
- Scheduled loads that remained at or slightly above actual loads.

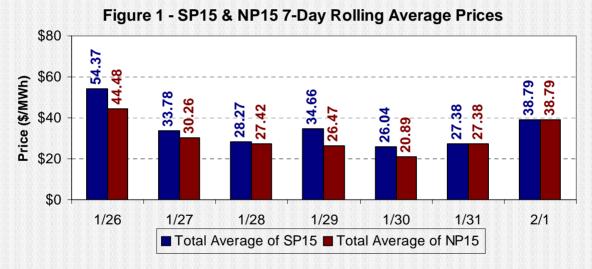


Figure 2 - Hourly Zonal Price and Volume \$80 40 \$60 30 Price (\$/MWh) Volume (GWh) 20 \$40 \$20 \$0 3 5 9 1 7 11 13 21 23 15 17 19 Hours of the Day, 24-Hour Clock Actual Scheduled Load NP15 Zonal Price SP15 Zonal Price



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